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New Leadership Team at CLFMA OF INDIA 2022-2024

Mumbai: CLFMA OF INDIA is a Non-Profit Organization and an Apex Chamber, nurturing "One Voice" of the Livestock Industry.

It was formed in the year 1967 with the objective of helping the promotion of overall animal husbandry, including the promotion of the concept of balanced feeding of animals in accordance with their nutritional requirements for deriving from them maximum output through productivity improvement. It was broad-based to include members from all sectors of livestock production during 2002.

CLFMA has a membership base of around 250 numbers representing Dairy, Aqua, Poultry and other sectors related to the Indian Livestock Industry viz. manufacturers and suppliers of feed additives, raw materials, feed plant and machinery, Laboratory equipment and also breeders, integrators, meat processors and exporters, vaccine manufacturers, animal health, etc.

On 16 February 2023,



Suresh Deora, Chairman, CLFMA Office, Sumit Sureka, Divya Kumar Gulati, Naveen Pasuparthy, Sandeep Kumar Singh, Abhay Shah and Nissar F. Mohammed

CLFMA's Election was held in the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) and the new leadership team took charge for the period 2022-2024. The outgoing Chairman Mr Neeraj Kumar Srivastava, Managing Director, South Asia and South - East Asia, Novus International, expressed his appreciation and conveyed his best wishes to the new team led by Mr Suresh Deora, Director – S.A. Pharmachem Pvt Ltd, who got elected as the new Chairman of CLFMA OF INDIA for the period 2022 - 2024.

Mr Neeraj Kumar Srivastava outgoing Chairman said that, it was indeed a great pleasure to work with CLFMA as a Chairman and after two years CLFMA has decided to appoint Mr Suresh Deora, who is an accomplished, talented business leader having a vast experience in managing the businesses of Livestock Sector as a whole and is actively involved into Human and Animal Nutritional business.

Mr Suresh Deora, is also the Chairman of Indian Red Cross Society – Mumbai, President and Trustee of KARM, Honorable General Secretary of India – China Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He presides over many education institutes. He is a well-seasoned and networked businessman connected with many industry stake holders including government authorities, BIS, FSSAI, etc and under his Stewardship, we anticipate CLFMA would continue to grow to greater heights.

He thanked Mr Neeraj Kumar Srivastava and CLFMA and said that, it was a great honour to be appointed as Chairman in a renowned association like CLFMA, as it is the single leading voice of the Animal Husbandry Industry. He promised to do his level best to help CLFMA work for the benefit of its members and the industry at large. He added that he was truly honoured and thrilled to carry the great legacy of many distinguished leaders, which has served the livestock industry for more than 5 decades. He promised to do his level best towards building the visibility of CLFMA, its image & reputation and working towards betterment of the livestock industry. He also said that Mr Neeraj Kumar Srivastava's team has done a great job especially with regard to government engagements and conducting relevant seminars during his tenure.

Following Office Bearers were elected for the period 2022 – 2024

- Chairman: Mr Suresh Deora, S. A. Pharmachem Pvt Ltd
- Deputy Chairman: Mr Sumit Sureka, Shivshakti Agro (India) Pvt Ltd
- Deputy Chairman: Mr Divya Kumar Gulati, Nurture Aqua Technology Pvt Ltd
- 4. Deputy Chairman: Mr Naveen Pasuparthy, Nanda Feeds Pvt Ltd *Contd on Page 20*



CLFMA Managing Committee 2022-2024

India identifies 146 potential sea farming sites along its coastline

The newly identified sites form part CMFRI's plans to boost marine aquaculture production – with the sea cages producing up to 2.13 million tonnes of fish each year

Aimed at empowering the coastal population through additional livelihood options, the ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) has envisaged plans to boost mariculture activities across the coastal states of the country.

Announcing the plan at the launch of a 21day Winter School on mariculture for researchers and academicians at the CMFRI, director Dr A Gopalakrishnan said: "CMFRI has identified and geo-referenced 146 potential sites for sea cage farming within 10 km in the sea from the coast along the Indian coastline, with a production potential of 2.13 million tonnes per year. In these, four sites from Kerala in an area of nearly 1300 hectares." Earlier, the institute had identified 342 potential sites for seaweed farming with a production potential of 9.7 million tonnes (wet weight) in a year.

Up to 3 tonnes of fish production per cage

"CMFRI has developed and standardised indigenous sea cage farming technology suitable to Indian coastal and open waters. On average, up to 3 tonnes of fish could be produced in a 6-diameter cage within a period of 8 months. CMFRI has estimated that farmers could earn an economic return ranging from Rs. 1.5



Dr Kuldeep K Lal inaugurating the 21-day Winter School at CMFRI

to 2.5 lakh (approx \$1,800 to \$3,000) depending on the species grown from each crop," he said.

Apart from sea cage farming, technologies for seaweed farming and integrated multi-trophic aquaculture (IMTA) an innovative practice combining seaweed and mussel farming with cage fish farming - have been proved successful by CMFRI for income multiplication and employment empowerment among the coastal people of the country, Dr Gopalakrishnan said.

Citing the status of India's mariculture, the CMFRI director said the current mariculture production from India is less than 0.1 million tonnes per year against a projected potential of 4 to 8 million tonnes. "Successful expansion of inland and brackishwater aquaculture in the country could be capitalised to boost mariculture production in a phased manner," he added. Dr Kuldeep K Lal, director of ICAR-Central Institute of Brackishwater Aquaculture (CIBA) who inaugurated the Winter School urged scientists to focus on indigenous technologies and local fish varieties that would bring prosperity to the common people. "Developing appropriate technology with good vision will help transform the quality of life of people even living in rural areas," he said.

The 21-day Winter School is aimed at popularising CMFRI's mariculture technologies by imparting training to a diversified group of researchers from different parts of the country. A total of 22 researchers from seven states are attending the programme.

Dr Imelda Joseph, course director of the Winter School, said popularising the mariculture technologies would offer employment opportunities to the coastal community and make way for female empowerment.

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- 5. Deputy Chairman: Mr Sandeep Kumar Singh, Godrej Agrovet Ltd
- 6. Honorable Secretary: Mr Abhay Shah, Spectoms Engineering Pvt Ltd
- 7. Treasurer: Mr Nissar F. Mohammed, Coastal Exports Corporation
- 8. Immediate Past Chairman: Mr Neeraj Kumar Srivastava, Novus Animal Nutrition (India) Pvt Ltd
- 9. Executive Director: Ms Chandrika Venkatesh

The other members of the Managing Committee 2022 - 2024 comprises of:

- 10. Dr Prashant Shinde: Cargill India Pvt Ltd
- 11. Mr Anil M: KSE Limited
- 12. Dr Devender Hooda: Huvepharma SEA
- (Pune) Pvt Ltd
- 13. Mr R. Ramkutty: Niswin

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- 14. Dr Saikat Saha: Evonik India Pvt Ltd
- 15. Mr Ramakanth V. Akula: The Waterbase Limited
- 16. Mr Vijay Bhandare: Bhavani Agrovet Pvt Ltd
- 17. Mr Abhay Parnerkar: Godrej Tyson Foods Ltd
- 18. Mr R. Lakshmanan: Shanthi Feeds Pvt Ltd
- 19. Mr Balaram Bhattacharya: Indian Herbs Specialities Pvt Ltd
- 20. Mr K. Narender Reddy: Natural Remedies Pvt Ltd
- 21. Dr Anup Kalra: Ayurvet Limited
- 22. Dr Vijay Makhija: Intervet India Pvt Ltd
- 23. Mr Jaison John: U. S. Soybean Export Council, Inc